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STATUS AS OF MAY 2009

ADA IMPROVEMENTS

Budget: \$600,000 Bond
\$379,967 Capital funds available

What has been completed?

Completed Hard Path Systems:

- Church & Nun
- Dram Tree
- Five Points
- Greenfield Park-(3) Overlooks & Tennis court gates
- Hilton Park
- Northside Park
- Optimist Park
- Robert Strange
- Cameron Park
- Hanover Heights
- Sunset & Adams
- 10th & Rankin Park
- Southgate
- Bicentennial Park
- Beaumont Park
- Tower Park
- Greenfield Park /Fragrance Garden Gazebo
- Rotary Garden Gazebo Ramp
- Nunnely Park – ADA walkways/picnic table location

In progress

- Innis Park Walkway (3rd and Princess St)
- McCrary Park - ADA/upgrades to grills/shelters

What is next?

Those listed below are in planning stage and should be completed in 2008

- Mothers Park
- Wallace Park
- Kennedy Park

The project is funded over 3 year period.

INDEPENDENCE (ALDERMAN PARK)

Budget: \$200,000 Bond
\$100,000 Capital funds

What has been done?

The contract to develop the master plan for the park has been executed.

What is next?

City staff and the project consultant met with school officials to discuss access options to the property. Staff and consultant are waiting for a response from NHC Schools Facility Planning and Construction about parking area near Alderman Elementary.

What is impeding progress?

Awaiting approval from NHC Schools to move forward.

What is status of budget?

Balance: \$277,400

ANNEXATION AREA PARKS

Budget: \$2.5 million

What has been done?

Currently investigating site for purchase

What is status of budget?

Balance: \$2,491,200

Wade Park (Dobo)- 3500 Bethel Rd. COMPLETED

\$688,000 project

What has been done?

Amenities of the 17 acre park include:

- ½ mile (10 foot wide) multi-use path
- Restrooms
- Picnic shelter
- Playground and open play area
- Educational/interpretive signage
- An existing building was left on the site that may be utilized as an education center and space for public rentals as additional funding become available.

CROSS-CITY TRAIL

Budget: \$1M
\$75,000 grant funds
\$2M Federal Stimulus funds

What has been done?

Sections 4 and 6 (John D. Barry to Halyburton Park and Halyburton Park to the Cameron Art Museum) will go out to bid as soon as signed easement agreement is obtained. Anticipate bidding in May 2009. Hired design firm to design Phase 2 of the trail in April 2009.

What is next?

Phase 1 goes out to bid. Phase 2 design to begin.

What is impeding progress?

Obtaining signed easement agreement.

What is status of budget?

Balance: \$2,730,102

DOWNTOWN PARKS

Completed

Budget: \$1 million

What has been done?

- MarStella Park work has been completed
- Purchase of Water Street property

What is status of budget?

Balance: \$0

GREENFIELD AMPHITHEATER

Completed



Budget: \$500,000 bond/ \$685,098 capital funds

What has been done?

A ribbon cutting was held on May 28. Several events have taken place at the amphitheater.

What is next? Project has been completed.

Budget: \$400,000, plus additional grant monies

What has been completed or in progress?

The project went to bid in March and the lowest bidder withdrew his bid. The other bidders will all over current funding levels due to the cost of transporting the soil to Sampson County. The City's Purchasing office has worked directly with the Sampson County landfill and negotiated a rate for disposal of the soil. The City will pay to the landfill directly. The project was re-bid and the bid opening was held April 30th. The bids are currently being evaluated.

What is next?

The bid will be awarded and construction will begin near the end of May, or first of June. Project amenities include: Additional drinking fountains, a new basketball court, re-graded baseball/softball field, a canoe/kayak launch, picnic tables & benches and a picnic shelter.

What is status of budget?

Balance: \$ 295,157

MAIDES PARK

Grand Opening: May 15th, 10am

Budget: \$900,000 Bond / \$450,000 Capital funds

What has been completed?

Improvements include: Expansion of Derick Davis Center to include computer room, arts/crafts room and multipurpose room; installation of athletic lighting; updated HVAC; kitchen renovations; a new access road; pervious concrete parking lot; lighted walking trail; and a restroom/picnic shelter combination.

What is next?

Grand Opening: May 16th, 10 am

MARTIN LUTHER KING CENTER

Completed

Budget: \$622,045

What has been done?

Project is completed and included: Reconfiguration of space (open floor plan), ADA modifications, enlarged computer room, resurfaced gym floor, new basketball goals, new restrooms, new floors, windows and doors. Grand re-opening took place at end of February 2008.

NATATORIUM

Budget: \$700,000

STATUS: Project on hold until private group develops project.

NORTHSIDE SPLASHPAD/POOL IMPROVEMENTS

Completed

Budget: \$400,000



What has been completed?

- Splashpad opened in August 2008
- Shelter & benches installed

OLSEN SOFTBALL/BASEBALL COMPLEX

Budget: \$8.5 million

What has been completed?

- The bid opening was held on May 7, 2009. The bids are currently being reviewed. Once the lowest responsible bidder is identified, a contract will be awarded and construction will begin (210 day construction).

What is next?

- Securing necessary permits for construction
- Anticipate construction to begin in July 2009

What is status of budget?

Balance: \$3,756,368



Budget: \$1.5 million

What has been completed?

- Final design is completed

What is next?

- Securing necessary permits for construction
- Anticipate bidding project in late May or early June 2009

What is budget status?

Balance: \$1,269,421

10TH & FANNING COMPLEX

Budget: \$100, 000

STATUS:

- On hold, pending site development

What is next?

Plan to develop design in-house

What is budget status?

No funds have been spent.

PARK LAND PURCHASES

Budget: \$4.7 million

What has been completed?

- Acquisition of Olsen property
- Acquisition of Water Street park land

What is budget status?

Balance: \$1,408,888